(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL): (a) and (b) Government of India had set up a Steering Committee to oversee the Programme of Text Book Evaluation. The Committee took up Evaluation of some sets of NCERT Text Books also. Copies of the reports submitted by the Committee were sent to the States concerned and the agencies involved.

Promotion Rules in KVS

227. SHRI GOVINDRAM MIRI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an employee of Central Government is debarred from further promotion for one year if he declines the promotional offer;

(b) if so, whether Government are aware that in some instrumentalities like, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan this debarring is five years; and

(c) if so, the rationale of this kind of discrimination?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan is an autonomous body. Rule 22 of the Memorandum of Association and the Rules of the KVS empowers the Board of Governors to regulate the conditions of service of its employees. Till 08.06.1999 an employee of KVS, on his refusal to accept promotion used to be debarred from further promotion for one year. This provision however proved quite ineffective in containing the extent of non-acceptance of promotions and as a result of this, vacancies remained unfilled and studies suffered. To check this problem the Board of Governors in its meeting held on 21.7.1998 decided to raise the period of debarment to five years. This has been given effect from 9.6.1999.